

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A computer-implemented method for downloading a radio
5 configuration (R-CFG) file onto a software defined radio (SDR) device from a
server comprising:
forming a secure connection between the SDR device and the server;
sending a message that requests the R-CFG to be downloaded over
the network from the server to the SDR device;
10 downloading the R-CFG from the server to the SDR; and
using a device manager on the SDR device to determine whether the
R-CFG is compatible with the SDR device.
2. The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein the R-
15 CFG is compatible with the SDR device provided that the R-CFG controls at
least one radio frequency parameter solely within a permitted level
established by a regulatory agency.
3. The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein the R-
20 CFG is compatible with the SDR device provided that the R-CFG is
configured to execute on a particular type of SDR device.

4. The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein a jurisdiction identifier is transmitted with the message.

5. The computer-implemented method of claim 4, wherein the jurisdiction identifier can be modified by a user of the SDR device.

6. A method for downloading a R-CFG file onto a SDR device from a server comprising:

forming a secure connection between the SDR device and the server;

10 receiving a message that requests the R-CFG to be downloaded to the SDR device;

determining a type of SDR device to receive the R-CFG from the request message;

15 making a determination whether the R-CFG file is configured to control a plurality of radio frequency parameters solely within permitted levels established by a regulatory agency; and

uploading the R-CFG from the server to the SDR based on the determination.

7. A method for downloading a radio configuration (R-CFG) file onto a software defined radio (SDR) device from a server comprising:

forming a secure connection between the SDR device and the server;

receiving a message that requests the R-CFG to be downloaded to the

5 SDR device;

determining a type of SDR device to receive the R-CFG from the request message;

making a determination whether the R-CFG file is compatible with the SDR device; and

10 uploading the R-CFG from the server to the SDR based on the determination.

8. The computer-implemented method of claim 7, wherein the R-CFG is compatible with the SDR device provided that the R-CFG is

15 configured to execute on a particular type of SDR device.

9. The computer-implemented method of claim 7, wherein a jurisdiction identifier is transmitted with the message.

20 10. The computer-implemented method of claim 7, wherein the jurisdiction identifier can be modified by a user of the SDR device.

11. An apparatus comprising:
- storage media including instructions stored thereon which when
- 5 executed cause a computer system to perform a method including:
- forming a secure connection between the SDR device and a server of
the computer system;
- receiving a message that requests the R-CFG to be downloaded to the
SDR device;
- 10 determining a type of SDR device to receive the R-CFG from the
request message;
- making a determination whether the R-CFG file is compatible with the
SDR device; and
- uploading the R-CFG from the server to the SDR based on the
- 15 determination.

12. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the R-CFG is compatible with the
SDR device provided that the R-CFG is configured to execute on a particular
type of SDR device.

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13. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein a jurisdiction identifier is
transmitted with the message.

14. The computer-implemented method of claim 11, wherein the jurisdiction identifier can be modified by a user of the SDR device.